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TO AMEMBASSY MANILA  
INFO AMEMBASSY JAKARTA  
AMEMBASSY BANGKOK  
AMEMBASSY SEOUL

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FOR STULL FROM HOLBROOKE

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: SHUM, PINT, RP

SUBJECT: RAUL MANGLAPUS' MAY 24 CALL

1. RAUL MANGLAPUS, AN OLD ACQUAINTANCE, STOPPED IN TO SEE ME BRIEFLY ON THE AFTERNOON OF MAY 24 TO DISCUSS U.S. POLICY TOWARDS THE PHILIPPINES. HIS PRIMARY POINT WAS THAT THE U.S. SHOULD CEASE MILITARY ASSISTANCE TO THE PHILIPPINES, WHICH HE TERMED U.S. INTERVENTION TO SUPPORT AN UNPOPULAR GOVERNMENT. I CATEGORICALLY TOLD HIM THAT THE U.S. WOULD NOT BE PART OF ANY ATTEMPT TO UNDERMINE ANY GOVERNMENTS IN ASIA AND THAT A CUT IN U.S. MILITARY ASSISTANCE, WHICH HAS BEEN IN EFFECT FOR OVER 25 YEARS, WOULD BE CONSTRUED IN NO OTHER WAY THAN AN ATTEMPT TO UNSEAT MARCOS. IN RESPONSE MANGLAPUS ARGUED THAT AID  
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WHICH HE BELIEVES KEEP MARCOS IN POWER COULD BE TERMED AN INTERVENTION AND THAT U.S. CUT-OFF OF AID WOULD BE A MORE TRULY NEUTRAL POSITION. I SAID THAT SOME MIGHT LOOK AT IT THAT WAY BUT THAT IN REAL WORLD TERMS CONTINUATION OF U.S. AID HAS VERY LITTLE EFFECT WHEREAS A CUT-OFF WOULD BE A CLEAR SIGNAL SUCH AS THE ONE SENT IN 1963 IN VIETNAM WHICH COULD ONLY HAVE A DESTABILIZING EFFECT. I AGAIN

CATEGORICALLY REJECTED ANY U.S. POLICY OF CUTTING OFF ALL MILITARY ASSISTANCE.

2. TURNING TO THE TRINIDAD HERRERA CASE, MANGLAPUS SAID THAT HE HAS RECEIVED INFORMATION THAT MRS. HERRERA WANTS TO RECEIVE AS SPEEDY AND OPEN A TRIAL AS POSSIBLE. HE BELIEVES SHE WISHES TO HAVE THE TRIAL RAPIDLY SINCE SHE BELIEVES PHILIPPINE AUTHORITIES WOULD USE ANY DELAY TO "CONCOCT EVIDENCE AGAINST HER." I SAID THAT THE HERRERA CASE IS OF GREAT CONCERN TO US AND THAT WE HAD FOLLOWED IT CLOSELY AND CONFIRMED THAT OUR TWO U.S. EMBASSY OFFICERS HAD INDEED SEEN MRS. HERRERA IN PRISON. I STRESSED THAT USG WAS NOT CLAIMING CREDIT FOR OBTAINING HER RELEASE.

3. ABOVE IS FYI SHOULD ANYONE RAISE WITH YOU THE FACT THAT MANGLAPUS CALLED ON ME OR SHOULD THEY MISREPRESENT ANYTHING WHICH TRANSPIRED AT THIS MEETING. VANCE

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